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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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February 17, 2022

The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$2,689,378 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to fund the Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Team and Infrastructure Project as mandated by the American Rescue Plan effective upon approval by the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council through June 30, 2023, and further authorize the funds to be allocated as follows. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-90-903010-XXXX-HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HHS: DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BUREAU OF LABORATORY SERVICES, ARP – ELC STRIKE TM PROJ

Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget	This Request	Adjusted Budget
000-400146	Federal Funds	\$0	\$2,689,378	\$2,689,378
	General Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue		\$0	\$2,689,378	\$2,689,378
037-500173	Technology - Hardware	\$0	\$1,315	\$1,315
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$0	\$2,689	\$2,689
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$0	\$2,685,374	\$2,685,374
Total Expenses		\$0	\$2,689,378	\$2,689,378

EXPLANATION

This request is being made to accept additional grant funds available to the Division of Public Health Services (DPHS). On March 11, 2021, the President signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2). This act provides additional relief to address the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy; public health; and state and local governments. To support the governmental public health response to COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) created supplements to the grant award entitled *Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases (ELC)*. This new component is entitled *Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Team and Infrastructure Project*. These

The Department of Health and Human Services' Mission is to join communities and families in providing opportunities for citizens to achieve health and independence.

funds will be used to support long-term care facilities, nursing homes and skilled nursing facilities during their continued response to the COVID-19 crisis and to build and maintain the infection prevention infrastructure necessary to support resident, visitor, and facility healthcare personnel safety. DPHS will provide consultation and technical assistance to support effective implementation of infection control practices and to support clinical services during outbreaks. This may include providing in-person and remote support to facilities experiencing cases and clusters of COVID-19; developing and implementing strategies to monitor, prevent, and respond in order to increase surge capacity for clinical services; retain, support, and expand existing staff to prevent shortages during outbreaks; supporting assessment and response capabilities; assisting facilities with preparing and responding to infectious disease threats by improving baseline infection prevention and control practices; increasing the availability and disbursement of vaccines; and ensuring outbreak response support is available to all facilities in an equitable manner.

Monitoring the indicators associated with these activities will assist state and local health departments to better understand and meet the needs of these facilities, as well as help define the scope and magnitude of infectious disease outbreaks in these settings.

The funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Class 037 – These funds will be used to purchase PC Desktop hardware for the Strike Team Grant Coordinator who will be working on this project, to support their communication and remote work activities.

Class 041 – The funds will be used to pay for audit fund set aside per State requirement.

Class 102 – These funds will be used to contract with a full-time STRIKE Team Grant Manager and any other additional staff needed to work with the long-term care facilities, nursing homes and skilled nursing facilities to implement this project. These funds will also be used to contract with lab courier services for the COVID-19 testing.

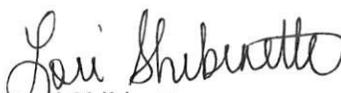
In response to the anticipated two-part question, “Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?” and “What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?” the Division offers the following information: The funds are provided for a specified purpose by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as defined in the Notice of Grant Award and cannot be used to offset general funds.

Area Served: Statewide

Source of Funds: 100% Federal from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) made available through of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP), P.L. 117-2, as part of supplemental funding under Project E: Emerging Issues of CK19-1904. Attached is the Notice of Grant Award, received October 27, 2021. These funds were not added to the FY22-FY23 operating budget because they are new and were not anticipated at the time the budget was developed.

In the event that these Federal funds no longer become available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,


Lori Shibinette
Commissioner



Recipient Information
<p>1. Recipient Name HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPT OF 129 Pleasant St Concord, NH 03301-3852 [NO DATA]</p> <p>2. Congressional District of Recipient 02</p> <p>3. Payment System Identifier (ID) 1026000618B3</p> <p>4. Employer Identification Number (EIN) 026000618</p> <p>5. Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) 011040545</p> <p>6. Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier</p> <p>7. Project Director or Principal Investigator Ms. Elizabeth Daly Adminstrator IV elizabeth.daly@dhhs.nh.gov (603)271-4927</p> <p>8. Authorized Official Ms. Richelle Swanson AO / Financial Administrator Richelle.Swanson@dhhs.nh.gov 603-271-4613</p>
<p>Federal Agency Information CDC Office of Financial Resources</p> <p>9. Awarding Agency Contact Information Cathleen Franklin Grants Management Specialist qtm0@cdc.gov 678-475-4552</p> <p>10. Program Official Contact Information Mr. Fred Maxineau PHA hyx2@cdc.gov 404.639.0869</p>

Federal Award Information
<p>11. Award Number 6 NU50CK000522-03-04</p> <p>12. Unique Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN) NU50CK000522</p> <p>13. Statutory Authority 301(A)AND317(K)(2)PHS42USC241(A)247B(K)2</p> <p>14. Federal Award Project Title Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases (ELC)</p> <p>15. Assistance Listing Number 93.323</p> <p>16. Assistance Listing Program Title Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)</p> <p>17. Award Action Type Supplement</p> <p>18. Is the Award R&D? No</p>

Summary Federal Award Financial Information	
19. Budget Period Start Date	08/01/2021 - End Date 07/31/2022
20. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this Action	\$6,060,076.00
20a. Direct Cost Amount	\$6,060,076.00
20b. Indirect Cost Amount	\$0.00
21. Authorized Carryover	\$0.00
22. Offset	\$0.00
23. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated this budget period	\$7,917,569.00
24. Total Approved Cost Sharing or Matching, where applicable	\$0.00
25. Total Federal and Non-Federal Approved this Budget Period	\$13,977,645.00
26. Project Period Start Date	08/01/2019 - End Date 07/31/2024
27. Total Amount of the Federal Award including Approved Cost Sharing or Matching this Project Period	Not Available

<p>28. Authorized Treatment of Program Income ADDITIONAL COSTS</p> <p>29. Grants Management Officer - Signature Ms. Freda Johnson Grants Management Officer</p>

30. Remarks



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Notice of Award

Award# 6 NU50CK000522-03-04

FAIN# NU50CK000522

Federal Award Date: 10/26/2021

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Recipient Name HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPT OF 129 Pleasant St Concord, NH 03301-3852 [NO DATA]
Congressional District of Recipient 02
Payment Account Number and Type 1026000618B3
Employer Identification Number (EIN) Data 026000618
Universal Numbering System (DUNS) 011040545
Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier Not Available
31. Assistance Type Cooperative Agreement
32. Type of Award Other

33. Approved Budget (Excludes Direct Assistance)	
I. Financial Assistance from the Federal Awarding Agency Only	
II. Total project costs including grant funds and all other financial participation	
a. Salaries and Wages	\$1,227,109.00
b. Fringe Benefits	\$723,422.00
c. Total Personnel Costs	\$1,950,531.00
d. Equipment	\$223,277.00
e. Supplies	\$163,193.00
f. Travel	\$72,914.00
g. Construction	\$0.00
h. Other	\$10,944,801.00
i. Contractual	\$208,735.00
j. TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$13,563,451.00
k. INDIRECT COSTS	\$414,194.00
l. TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET	\$13,977,645.00
m. Federal Share	\$13,977,645.00
n. Non-Federal Share	\$0.00

34. Accounting Classification Codes

FY-ACCOUNT NO.	DOCUMENT NO.	ADMINISTRATIVE CODE	OBJECT CLASS	AMT ACTION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	APPROPRIATION
2-9390GXY	19NU50CK000522TH2C6	CK	41.51	\$200,000.00	75-X-0140
2-9390J4N	19NU50CK000522HOMEC6	CK	41.51	\$449,760.00	75-X-0140
2-9390J4P	19NU50CK000522SHRPC6	CK	41.51	\$2,720,938.00	75-X-0140
2-9390J4Q	19NU50CK000522SNFC6	CK	41.51	\$1,371,643.00	75-X-0511
2-9390J4R	19NU50CK000522NLTCC6	CK	41.51	\$1,317,735.00	75-X-0511



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Direct Assistance

BUDGET CATEGORIES	PREVIOUS AMOUNT (A)	AMOUNT THIS ACTION (B)	TOTAL (A + B)
Personnel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fringe Benefits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contractual	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Construction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

AWARD ATTACHMENTS

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPT OF

6 NU50CK000522-03-04

1. Terms and Conditions

ADDITIONAL AWARD INFORMATION

Incorporation: In addition to the federal laws, regulations, policies, and CDC General Terms and Conditions for Non-research awards at <https://www.cdc.gov/grants/federalregulationspolicies/index.html>, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) hereby incorporates Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) number CK19-1904, titled *Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases(ELC)*, which are hereby made a part of this Non-research award, hereinafter referred to as the Notice of Award (NOA).

Supplemental Funding: Additional funding in the amount \$6,060,076 is approved for the Year 03 budget period, which is August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022. The availability of funds is shown below.

COVID Funded Component	Amount	End of Funding Availability	Suffix Document Number in PMS
Detection & Mitigation of COVID in Homeless Service Sites & Other Congregate Settings	\$449,760	July 31, 2024	HOME6
Strengthening HAI & AR Program Capacity (SHARP)	\$2,720,938	July 31, 2024	SHRPC6
Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Teams - SNF	\$1,371,643	July 31, 2024 <u>or</u> 12 months from the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE) declaration for COVID-19, whichever comes first	SNFC6
Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Teams - NH & LTC	\$1,317,735	July 31, 2024 <u>or</u> 12 months from the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE) declaration for COVID-19, whichever comes first	NLTCC6
Travelers Health Year 2	\$200,000	December 31, 2022	TH2C6

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Funds: A recipient of a grant or cooperative agreement awarded by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) with funds made available under the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (P.L. 116-123); the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 2020 (the "CARES Act") (P.L. 116-136); the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (P.L. 116-139); the Consolidated Appropriations Act and the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Appropriations Act, 2021 (P.L. 116-260) and/or the American Rescue Plan of 2021 [P.L. 117-2] agrees, as applicable to the award, to: 1) comply with existing and/or future directives and guidance from the Secretary regarding control of the spread of COVID-19; 2) in consultation and coordination with HHS, provide, commensurate with the condition of the individual, COVID-19 patient care regardless of the individual's home jurisdiction and/or appropriate public health measures (e.g., social distancing, home isolation); and 3) assist the United States Government in the implementation and enforcement of federal orders related to quarantine and isolation.

In addition, to the extent applicable, Recipient will comply with Section 18115 of the CARES Act, with respect to the reporting to the HHS Secretary of results of tests intended to detect SARS-CoV-2 or to diagnose a possible case of COVID-19. Such reporting shall be in accordance with guidance and direction from HHS and/or CDC. HHS laboratory reporting guidance is posted at: <https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/covid-19-laboratory-data-reporting-guidance.pdf>.

Further, consistent with the full scope of applicable grant regulations (45 C.F.R. 75.322), the purpose of this award, and the underlying funding, the recipient is expected to provide to CDC copies of and/or access to COVID-19 data collected with these funds, including but not limited to data related to COVID-19 testing. CDC will specify in further guidance and directives what is encompassed by this requirement.

This award is contingent upon agreement by the recipient to comply with existing and future guidance from the HHS Secretary regarding control of the spread of COVID-19. In addition, recipient is expected to flow down these terms to any subaward, to the extent applicable to activities set out in such subaward.

To achieve the public health objectives of ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of all Americans, Recipient must distribute or administer vaccine without discriminating on non-public-health grounds within a prioritized group.

Unallowable Costs:

1. Research
2. Clinical care for all COVID awards except the 'Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facilities Strike Team' award.
3. Construction
4. Publicity and propaganda (lobbying):
5. Other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative relationships, no funds may be used for:
 - a. publicity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any material designed to support or defeat the enactment of legislation before any legislative body
 - b. the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient, or agent acting for such recipient, related to any activity designed to influence the enactment of legislation, appropriations, regulation, administrative action, or Executive order proposed or pending before any legislative body

6. All unallowable costs cited in CDC-RFA-CK19-1904 remain in effect, unless specifically amended in this guidance, in accordance with 45 CFR Part 75 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, And Audit Requirements for HHS Awards.

COVID-19 Funding Budget Revision Requirement: The recipient must submit a revised budget with a narrative justification, using the ELC budget workbook provided in the Grant Note associated with this award, within 90 days of receipt of the Notice of Award. Submission must be made as a budget revision amendment and not as a Grant Note. If the date falls on a weekend or holiday, the submission will be due the following business day. Failure to submit the required information in a timely manner may adversely affect the future funding of this project. If the information cannot be provided by the due date, you are required to contact the GMS/GMO identified in the Awarding Agency Contact Information section on the first page before the due date.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Reporting: Please reference the applicable guidance for reporting requirements related to: (1) Detection & Mitigation of COVID in Homeless Service Sites & Other Congregate Settings; (2) Strengthening HAI & AR Program Capacity (SHARP); (3) Nursing Home & Long-term Care Facility Strike Team; and (4) Travelers Health Year 2 activities.

Required Disclosures for Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS): Consistent with 45 CFR 75.113, applicants and recipients must disclose in a timely manner, in writing to the CDC, with a copy to the HHS Office of Inspector General (OIG), all information related to violations of federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the federal award. Subrecipients must disclose, in a timely manner in writing to the prime recipient (pass through entity) and the HHS OIG, all information related to violations of federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the federal award. Disclosures must be sent in writing to the CDC and to the HHS OIG at the following addresses:

CDC, Office of Grants Services
Cathleen Franklin, Grants Management Specialist
Contractor: Cherokee Nation Operational Solutions
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Branch 1
2939 Flowers Road, MS-TV-2 Atlanta, GA 30341
Email: qtm0@cdc.gov (Include "Mandatory Grant Disclosures" in subject line)

AND

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General
ATTN: Mandatory Grant Disclosures, Intake Coordinator 3301 Independence Avenue, SW
Cohen Building, Room 5527 Washington, DC 20201
Fax: (202)-205-0604 (Include "Mandatory Grant Disclosures" in subject line) or Email:
MandatoryGranteeDisclosures@oig.hhs.gov

Recipients must include this mandatory disclosure requirement in all subawards and contracts under this award.

Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in 45 CFR 75.371. Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment (See 2 CFR parts 180 and 376, and 31 U.S.C. 3321).

CDC is required to report any termination of a federal award prior to the end of the period of performance due to material failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this award in the OMB-designated integrity and performance system accessible through SAM (currently FAPIIS). (45 CFR 75.372(b)) CDC must also notify the recipient if the federal award is terminated for failure to comply with the federal statutes, regulations, or terms and conditions of the federal award. (45 CFR 75.373(b))

PAYMENT INFORMATION

The HHS Office of the Inspector General (OIG) maintains a toll-free number (1-800-HHS-TIPS [1- 800-447-8477]) for receiving information concerning fraud, waste, or abuse under grants and cooperative agreements. Information also may be submitted by e-mail to hhstips@oig.hhs.gov or by mail to Office of the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, Attn: HOTLINE, 330 Independence Ave., SW, Washington DC 20201. Such reports are treated as sensitive material and submitters may decline to give their names if they choose to remain anonymous.

Payment Management System Subaccount: Funds awarded in support of approved activities have been obligated in a subaccount in the PMS, herein identified as the "P Account". Funds must be used in support of approved activities in the NOFO and the approved application.

The grant document number identified on the bottom of **Page 2** of the Notice of Award must be known to draw down funds.

HHS Non-Discrimination Legal Requirements for Recipients of Federal Financial Assistance

The purpose of this Notice of Award amendment is to notify you that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) incorporated Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) non-discrimination legal requirements for recipients of federal financial assistance into the CDC General Terms and Conditions within your Notice of Award. The new requirements are effective immediately. The requirements are in the General Requirements section of the General Terms and Conditions, and are also listed below.

You must administer your project in compliance with federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age and, in some circumstances, religion, conscience, and sex (including gender identity, sexual orientation, and pregnancy). This includes taking reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency and providing programs that are accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. The HHS Office for Civil Rights provides guidance on complying with civil rights laws enforced by HHS. See <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/for-providers/provider-obligations/index.html> and <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/for-individuals/nondiscrimination/index.html>.

- You must take reasonable steps to ensure that your project provides meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency. For guidance on meeting your

legal obligation to take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to your programs or activities by limited English proficient individuals, see <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/for-individuals/special-topics/limited-english-proficiency/fact-sheet-guidance/index.html> and <https://www.lep.gov/>.

- For information on your specific legal obligations for serving qualified individuals with disabilities, including providing program access, reasonable modifications, and taking appropriate steps to provide effective communication, see <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/civilrights/understanding/disability/index.html>.
- HHS funded health and education programs must be administered in an environment free of sexual harassment, see <https://www.hhs.gov/civil-rights/for-individuals/sex-discrimination/index.html>.
- For guidance on administering your project in compliance with applicable federal religious nondiscrimination laws and applicable federal conscience protection and associated anti-discrimination laws, see <https://www.hhs.gov/conscience/conscience-protections/index.html> and <https://www.hhs.gov/conscience/religious-freedom/index.html>.

Stewardship: The recipient must exercise proper stewardship over Federal funds by ensuring that all costs charged to your cooperative agreement are allowable, allocable, and reasonable and that they address the highest priority needs as they relate to this program.

All the other terms and conditions issued with the original award remain in effect throughout the budget period unless otherwise changed, in writing, by the Grants Management Officer.